UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA Criminal No. 12-26 (JRT/JSM)

Plaintiff,

VS.

DEFENDANT'S OBJECTION TO PROTECTIVE ORDER GOVERNING DISCOVERY

William Earl Morris,

Defendant.

Defendant William Earl Morris, by and through his attorney, Thomas H. Shiah, hereby

objects to the court's protective order governing discovery entered on February 9, 2012. That order was entered pursuant to Rule 16(d)(1) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure upon consideration of the government's Ex Parte Motion for a Protective Order. Obviously neither defendant nor defense counsel were given an opportunity to participate in this process and were only advised of the court's decision after the fact. Defendant hereby objects to the entry of this order as an unnecessary infringement upon defendant William Earl Morris' ability to defend himself and requests a hearing on his objection.

Dated: February 29, 2012 Respectfully submitted,

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